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## **BREAKING NEWS:**

## Pennsylvania Gains House Seats, Invisible Jobs ....according to the Brain Trust at Recovery.gov \*\*

Washington D.C. – As news reports continue to break about the flawed job numbers coming out of President Obama's Recovery.gov stimulus website, **Congressman Shuster (PA-09)** thought it would be interesting to see for himself how the government's \$18 million website is reporting the number of jobs "created or saved" in Pennsylvania from the trillion dollar stimulus. What he found was surprising and simply defies common sense:

"With national unemployment at 10.2 percent and rising, the American people and many of my own constituents are wondering where the jobs are and I don't blame them. It's only right for the people who paid for the trillion dollar stimulus to see what they got for their money. I went to the recovery gov website to find out and what I found was simply amazing.

According to Recovery.gov, \$149,694,747 in stimulus money has been spent in the 9<sup>th</sup> district to 'create or save' 239 jobs at a cost of \$626,337 per job. But that's not all. Recovery.gov also reports 21.5 jobs were 'saved or created' in Pennsylvania's 23<sup>rd</sup> congressional district for \$1,487,259. Seven jobs were saved for \$6,729,345 in district 00 and zero jobs – that's right – zero jobs saved in the 96<sup>th</sup> district for \$1,960,179. The problem is there are only 19 congressional districts in Pennsylvania.

How can we expect the administration to lead our economy into recovery when they take credit for spending \$10,176,783 in congressional districts that don't even exist?"

To view a screenshot of the Pennsylvania Recovery.gov report, click <u>here</u>.

\*\* At last count; there are only 19 congressional districts in Pennsylvania.

**Note:** According to <u>ABC News</u>, Recovery.gov was recently given an \$18 million dollar grant. The <u>LA Times</u>, \$9.5 million has been spent on the most recent update of the site (errors and all), with \$8.5 million on the way for additional "improvements."